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SUBJECT: EXPORTS OF U.S. HARVESTED ABALONE

REF: BRISBANE T-161 OF JULY 24, 1975

1. MOST ABALONE IS HARVESTED IN CALIFORNIA, WHICH UNTIL 1971 PROHIBITED ANY EXPORTS OF THAT SPECIES ANYWHERE OUTSIDE THAT STATE, INCLUDING THE REST OF THE U.S. IN 1971 THE LAW WAS CHANGED AND IT IS NOW PERMISSIBLE TO EXPORT CALIFORNIA-HARVESTED ABALONES.

2. THE LANDINGS OF CALIFORNIA ABALONE (INCLUDING SHELL WEIGHT) FOR 1973 AND 1974 ARE GIVEN IN THE TABLE BELOW.
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1973	1974
IN MILLION POUNDS	

BLACK:	1.9	1.1
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GREEN:	0.2	0.1
PINK:	0.4	0.5
RED:	0.7	0.8
WHITE:	0.1	0.1
TOTAL:	3.3	2.6

THE ENTIRE BLACK ABALONE (HALIOTIS CRAKERODIE) CATCH WAS EXPORTED TO JAPAN. OTHER SPECIES OF ABALONE ARE NOT EXPORTED. THESE ARE AS FOLLOWS: RED ABALONE (HALIOTIS RUFESCENS), GREEN ABALONE (HAL. FULGENS), PINK ABALONE (HAL. CORRUGATA) AND WHITE ABALONE (HAL. SORENSENI).

3. THE LARGEST PRODUCERS OF CALIFORNIA ABALONE ARE THE FOLLOWING 3 COMPANIES: DEEP ROCK ABALONE CO., 935 WEST HARBOR DRIVE, SAN DIEGO, CAL. 92101 (TEL. 714/238-1963); OCEAN FLOOR ABALONE, 905 WEST HARBOR DRIVE, SAN DIEGO, CAL. 92101 (TEL. 714/235-6965); PIERCE FISHERIES, 137 ANACAPA ST., SANTA BARBARA, CAL. 93101 (TEL. 805/962-9025).

4. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE HAS ALSO LEARNED OF A U.S. COMPANY WHICH IS CURRENTLY ESTABLISHING A JOINT VENTURE IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO HARVEST, PROCESS AND EXPORT KOREAN ABALONE. THE COMPANY WILL EXPORT ONLY FROZEN, NOT CANNED ABALONE. ITS ADDRESS IS FROZEN SEAFOOD SPECIALITIES, INC., 14 NORTH HILL RD., COLONIA, N.J. 07067, CABLE: FSSI, ORANGE, CONNECTICUT. THE COMPANY HOPES THAT IT WILL BE ABLE TO BEGIN SUCH EXPORTS BY ABOUT JAN. 1. 1976.

5. THE NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE THE CONSULATE GENERAL'S FORWARDING THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO THE AUSTRALIAN COMPANY.

6. FOR TOKYO ONLY. FROZEN SEAFOOD SPECIALITIES IS REQUESTING INFORMATION ON A JAPANESE SPECIES OF ABALONE IDENTIFIED ONLY BY ITS LATIN NAME AS IBACUS CILIATUS. PLEASE REPLY DIRECTLY TO THE COMPANY WITH A COPY TO NMFS, UNCLASSIFIED

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